Neighborhood Queen Anne Implementor Community - Arts Organizations

*Matrix* QAH2

Activity

Establish a Queen Anne Community Festival - Work w/ merchants, the City, and community organizations to develop an annual community festival to enhance community identity and awareness.

Halloween Parade on the Counterbalance (Upper QA and Urban Center) has been suggested and has received support, but ideas are still being sought for theme and schedule.

QAH2: 1 of 1 Sub-Activity Establish a Queen Anne community festival

Sub-Act Comment(s) Queen Anne held their annual Arts Festival in 2005 which utilized funding from the City of Seattle's Neighborhood Arts Initiative. It is described in more detail below.

Jason Wachs 10/25/05

Art for Uptown; Uptown Stroll; 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., August 27, 2005; lower Queen Anne retail core. Mayoral press release from 06/01/05 - The Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs announces funding awards to 16 neighborhood arts councils and community associations in the third year of the Neighborhood Arts Initiative pilot.

"I am proud to be mayor of a city with such an incredible array of community cultural events," said Mayor Greg Nickels. "Art and culture help build strong, healthy communities, creating opportunity to share experiences, understand ideas, and celebrate and honor one another."

The program supports, affirms and encourages the work of Seattle's neighborhood arts councils investing in the vibrant work being done in and by communities throughout Seattle. Funding supports recurring festivals or events that promote arts and cultural participation, build community relations and enhance the visibility of neighborhoods using arts and culture. The events supported by the Neighborhood Arts Initiative take place in locations across the city. All are free and open to the public.

The Queen Anne Community Center has annual special events that are open to the community. Examples of events occurring in the winter of 2005 are described below. The most current information about events at the Community Center are described in more detail online at <a href="http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Centers/queenanne/activity.htm">http://www.seattle.gov/parks/Centers/queenanne/activity.htm</a>.

### 1. Teen Flashlight Pumpkin Hunt

This fun Fall event will get you in the Halloween spirit! Dress warmly and bring a flashlight and goody bag. Meet at the new Teen Room at 7:15 p.m. - the hunt begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. sharp! There will be tons of cool prizes! This great hunt is for ages 11-16.

Age: 11 to 16

Thu, Oct 27 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Location: Meet in the Teen Room

### 2. Halloween Carnival

Carnival games, costume fashion show, cake walk and more! Come on down to the Q in your costume and get into the spooky spirit of Halloween!

Age: 12 and under Fri, Oct 28 6 - 8 p.m.

Fees: 25¢ per carnival game

Location: gym

3. Winter Holiday Party

This event is a great way to kick off your family's holiday season. There will be carolers, arts and crafts, refreshments, and food celebrating holiday traditions from around the world. Come join us! Sat, Dec 10 Noon - 2 p.m. Free

2004 Priority Summary: On September 11, 2004, Art for Uptown (neighborhood arts council) and the Queen Anne Chamber of Commerce successfully revived the the Uptown Stroll, an arts festival.

Dena Gazin 09/13/04

Uptown Stroll Committee formed with strong support and leadership from Art for Uptown and QA Chamber of John Leonard Commerce.

05/04/04

One of 5 Sub-Activities created by Queen Anne stewardship committee. 11/2003

Dena Gazin 12/17/03

09/07/05

**Target Completion** 

Estimated Cost N/A

**Status** 

Completed

Lead Agency/Contact Community - Arts Organizations; Joy Golliver, 283-8703

**Priority** Top

# Implementor Transportation

**QAT29** Matrix

Activity

Sidewalk/Roadway Lighting -Make certain all Queen Anne arterials have adequate sidewalk/roadway lighting for pedestrian comfort and safety. Field observations have shown that lighting on many QA arterials is inadequate to promote comfortable and safe walking. Priority arterials include:

- Queen Anne Avenue N. and First Ave. N. from Roy St to Denny Way
- Mercer St. from Mercer Place to 5th Ave. N.

Roy St from Kinnear Park to Aurora Ave.

QAT29: 1 of 1

**Sub-Activity** 

Roadway/sidewalk lighting on Queen Anne Avenue from Galer to McGraw streets.

Sub-Act Comment(s) The Pedestrian Lighting Program is still operating with SDOT as the lead, DON helping to prioritize locations, Jason Wachs and SCL providing some technical assistance when locations are identified. A schedule was created in 2003 that includes various projects that should receive funding through 2005 and Queen Anne is not included. More financially distressed areas are included on the list. The following projects are on the list and have not been completed to date:

- -Ballard Civic Center (Related to Matrix #
- -Pioneer Square Phase I and II
- -Pike/Pine Phase II
- -Northgate/5th Ave. NE
- -Central Area 23rd Ave.
- -Westwood/Highland Park
- Denny Triangle

These areas have been prioritized using the following criteria:

- 1. Commercial areas in an urban center or urban village
- 2. Mayor's priorities for economic revitalization
- 3. Neighborhood Plan Recommendations
- 4. Ability to leverage other improvements transportation, parks, libraries, Neighborhood Matching Fund, etc.

### 5. Geographic distribution

Queen Anne may be added as a priority in the coming years, but in the meantime this project will remain On-Hold.

2004 Priority Summary: Because of a court decision, Seattle City Light (SCL) has suspended its pedestrian lighting program. If the program is reinstated next year, the Department of Neighborhoods (DON) will be responsible for prioritizing neighborhoods for lighting and Transportation (SDOT) will be responsible for implementing street light projects. Queen Anne may need to compete with more distressed business districts.

Dena Gazin 09/13/04

QA/Magnolia Neighborhood District Coordinator contacted Chris Larsen regarding prioritization of future SCL John Leonard pedestrian light funds.

05/04/04

Core QA lighting is already up to arterial standards. Pedestrian lighting is limited to neighborhood business districts, so DoN might want to work with QA community to refine their request and prioritize projects accordingly.

Chris Larsen 03/12/04

One of 5 new Sub-Activities submitted by Queen Anne stewardship group in November 2003; the priorities were not submitted ranked.

Dena Gazin 11/20/03

**Target Completion** 

Estimated Cost N/A

Status On-Hold

Lead Agency/Contact Transportation; Wayne McPhillips, 684-5245

**Priority** Top

# Implementor Transportation

Matrix Activity **QAT69** 

Maintenance - Sidewalks - City should provide improved maintenance of sidewalks in all areas of Queen Anne.

QAT69: 1 of 1

**Sub-Activity** 

Sidewalk maintenance.

Sub-Act Comment(s) Sidewalk Repair - Queen Anne Ave N between Galer St and McGraw St

Jason Wachs 10/21/05

The District Council prioritized this project in 2005 in order to request funding from the 2006 Cumulative Reserve Fund (CRF). City Staff, the Mayor, and City Council recommended that \$34,000 be allocated to this project in 2006.

Seattle Department of Transportation's comments after reviewing the project included: SDOT recommends sidewalk rehabilitation for this area, located in the Upper Queen Anne Business District (high pedestrian traffic on the sidewalks). Tree root pruning will be involved and be done by SDOT Landscape crews. The estimated cost of rehabilitating all the sidewalk locations is about \$300,000. Therefore, this project needs to be phased over the next few years. The need for sidewalk rehabilitation seems to be more critical on the east side of the street, starting south of McGraw St. If this funding is

approved, SDOT will prioritize the locations to address the most serious concerns first.

2004 Priority Summary: This activity was prioritized by the District Council without a specific project area in mind. The District Council hoped that by prioritizing this activity, it would bolster future requests for Cumulative Reserve Fund (CRF) and Neighborhood Street Fund (NSF) for projects to be determined later.

Identify specific locations. No specific funding for new locations in 2004.

Eric Tweit 04/06/04

05/04/04

John Leonard

The stewardship group actually mentioned 4 different Activities for their fifth priority: QAG 7, QAT 69, QAT 70 and what appears to be QAPP 19. Their exact wording, "General Maintenance of capital facilities."

Dena Gazin 12/17/03

**Target Completion** Estimated Cost \$34,000(O) -Ongoing **Status** On-Going

Lead Agency/Contact Transportation; Susan Almachar, 684-5303 **Priority** Top

## Implementor Transportation

# Matrix

QAT8 Activity

Traffic - Close 4th Ave. N. n/o Queen Anne Drive - SEATRAN should close 4th Avenue N. to improve operations:

- Close Queen Anne Drive/4th Ave. N. intersection north leg. This will eliminate a severe sight-distance/grade problem. This will require additional traffic control for diverted traffic:
- Close Raye Street/4th Ave. N. intersection;
- Extend curb on 4th Ave. N. across Raye which will shorten the time required to make turns.

#### QAT8: 1 of 1

**Sub-Activity** 

Revise intersection at Queen Anne drive and 4th Avenue North.

# Sub-Act Comment(s)

Fremont Bridge Approach Project - Phase II Study (PS&E) Traffic Analysis Support - Final Technical Memorandum

Jason Wachs 11/02/05

Study completed and provided to the Seattle Dept. of Transportation (SDOT) on October 18, 2004

Queen Anne Ave is an east-west arterial in the north Queen Anne Hill area that provides an alternative route to the Fremont Bridge via SR-99. This arterial connects to SR-99 in both directions (NB & SB) and also provides access to Dexter Ave and Westlake Ave to the east. The two travel lanes are relatively narrow (10 to 11 feet lane widths) and no turn pockets are provided at the six-way stop-controlled intersection with Ray St and 4th Ave N.

2004 Priority Summary: The Dept. of Transportation (SDOT) has developed an intersection revision proposal Dena Gazin (Queen Anne/ Ray/ 4th) and has requested that the community circulate a petition before implementing. The 09/13/04 proposal calls for creating a partial closure on Ray street that would restrict access from Queen Anne & 4th Avenue North.

SDOT has developed an option that an option that entails closing the two lowest volume legs of the intersection and is asking the community to circulate a petition.

Shauna Walgren 07/16/04

QA/Magnolia Neighborhood District Coordinator arranged for Trevor Partap of SDOT to present to the

John Leonard

Transportation Committee of the QA Community Council to explain SDOT's reasons for not pursuing any action at this site, despite documented problems and numerous studies.

05/04/04

One of 5 new Sub-Activities submitted by Queen Anne stewardship group in November 2003; the priorities were not submitted ranked.

Dena Gazin 11/20/03

Target CompletionEstimated CostN/AStatusIn-Progress

**Lead Agency/Contact** Transportation; John Marek, 684-5069 **Priority** Top

# Implementor Transportation

# Matrix Activity

### QAT34

High Capacity Transit (Sound Transit (RTA) and Monorail) - The Urban Center is to be served by high-capacity public transportation services according to the CPPs and Vision 2020. This recommendation expresses the QANPC's strong interest in having the proposed Uptown Center Village as a node for high-capacity transit in the future. QANPC envisions the eventual development of a Sound Move Link/Light Rail station to serve Uptown Center and Seattle Center. In addition, extensions of the Monorail (if implemented) should also provide service to Uptown Center.

QANPC reviewed and supported the alternative routing of the light rail system to Queen Anne and would support a secondary line to access Uptown Center Village and Seattle Center.

### QAT34: 1 of 1

### **Sub-Activity**

Design and build high capacity (Monorail) transit facility in Uptown

# Sub-Act Comment(s)

(Jason Wachs 12/21/05) The Monorail Project was defeated at the Nov. ballot and is now Closed.

Jason Wachs 11/02/05

The Seattle Monorail Project (SMP) Board has placed a measure on the November 2005 ballot asking voters for authority to modify the 2002 Seattle Popular Monorail Plan. The measure seeks authorization to construct an initial 10-mile, 12-station phase from the Dravus Station (Interbay) to the Alaska Junction Station (West Seattle) through Downtown.

The project follows a clearly defined route and alignment approved by the SMP Board and Seattle City Council in 2004. It will meet transit needs identified in the City of Seattle's 2000 Intermediate Capacity Transit Study and add new transit capacity to two of the most congested transit corridors identified in the Study. The remainder of the 14-mile Green Line will be completed if the City approves construction permits following review of SMP's Finance Plan.

The initial phase will be an electrically powered, elevated rapid transit system. The guideway will be configured to allow extending the Green Line south from Alaska Junction to Morgan Junction in West Seattle and north from Dravus to Crown Hill in Ballard. Trains will depart every six minutes from all stations during commute hours. The system will operate 19 hours on weekdays and longer on weekends.

The system is designed so that service can be adjusted to meet varying ridership demands at busier times, such as during festivals, concerts, and sporting events, by using operational techniques that increase frequency or stage trains to coincide with events.

The plan has stations at major activity centers, including Safeco Field, Qwest Field and Exhibition Center,

the International District, Pioneer Square, the Downtown Financial and Retail Core, Pike Place Market, Key Arena, and Seattle Center.

The system connects to other transit systems, including buses and Sound Transit Light Rail stations at King Street Station, Pioneer Square, Royal Brougham, and Westlake.

Daily ridership for this initial phase from Alaska Junction Station to Dravus Station has been identified by SMP's ridership consultant, Cambridge Systematics, as approximately 42,200 and 57,000 passengers per day in 2010 and 2030 respectively. The initial phase will provide a 15-minute trip from the Alaska Junction Station to Pioneer Square and a 9-minute trip from the Dravus Station to Downtown.

2004 Priority Summary: Community is actively engaged with Monorail Project, DPD station area planning staff, and City Council on issues of monorail alignment at Seattle Center (all neighborhood business and resident groups endorsed the NW route through the Center), station design, and access and impact. Community is lobbying for better access to the Mercer & Elliott Station from the top of the Mercer Street escarpment (e.g. an elevator).

John Leonard 05/04/04

One of 5 new Sub-Activities submitted by Queen Anne stewardship group in November 2003; the priorities were not submitted ranked.

Dena Gazin 12/17/03

Target Completion2010/4Estimated CostN/AStatusClosedLead Agency/ContactTransportation; Ethan Melone, 684-8066PriorityThird